

REMARKS

Claims 1, 6, 7, 9, 10, 18-20, 22 and 23 remain pending in the present application. Claims 1, 6, 7, 9, 10, 18, 20, 22 and 23 have been amended. Basis for the amendments can be found throughout the specification, claims and drawings as originally filed.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1, 6, 7, 9, 10, 18-20, 22 and 23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention.

Applicants have amended the claims pursuant to the Examiner's suggestions as well as adding additional amendments to overcome the rejection.

Regarding Claim 22 and antecedent basis for "along the inclined portion", Claim 1 defines "an inclined portion of the air-conditioner casing" and Claim 22 has been amended to refer to "along the inclined portion of the air-conditioner casing".

Reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and

favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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